

Form 990 Department of the Treasury Internal Revenue Service	Return of Organization Exempt From Income Tax Under section 501(c), 527, or 4947(a)(1) of the Internal Revenue Code (except private foundations) ▶ Do not enter social security numbers on this form as it may be made public. ▶ Go to www.irs.gov/Form990 for instructions and the latest information.		OMB No. 1545-0047 2017 Open to Public Inspection
	A For the 2017 calendar year, or tax year beginning and ending		
B Check if applicable: <input type="checkbox"/> Address change <input type="checkbox"/> Name change <input type="checkbox"/> Initial return <input type="checkbox"/> Final return/terminated <input type="checkbox"/> Amended return <input type="checkbox"/> Application pending	C Name of organization Americans for Prosperity Doing business as Number and street (or P.O. box if mail is not delivered to street address) Room/suite 1310 N. Courthouse Rd, Ste 700 700 City or town, state or province, country, and ZIP or foreign postal code Arlington, VA 22201		D Employer identification number 75-3148958
	F Name and address of principal officer: Emily Siedel same as C above		E Telephone number 703-224-3200
	I Tax-exempt status: <input type="checkbox"/> 501(c)(3) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 501(c) (4) (insert no.) <input type="checkbox"/> 4947(a)(1) or <input type="checkbox"/> 527		G Gross receipts \$ 57,679,212.
	J Website: www.americansforprosperity.org		H(a) Is this a group return for subordinates? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No H(b) Are all subordinates included? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No If "No," attach a list. (see instructions)
	K Form of organization: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Corporation <input type="checkbox"/> Trust <input type="checkbox"/> Association <input type="checkbox"/> Other ▶		H(c) Group exemption number ▶
L Year of formation: 2004 M State of legal domicile: DC			
Part I Summary			
Activities & Governance	1 Briefly describe the organization's mission or most significant activities: Educate U.S. citizens about the impact of sound economic policy on the nation's economy		
	2 Check this box <input type="checkbox"/> If the organization discontinued its operations or disposed of more than 25% of its net assets.		
	3 Number of voting members of the governing body (Part VI, line 1a)	3	5
	4 Number of independent voting members of the governing body (Part VI, line 1b)	4	5
	5 Total number of individuals employed in calendar year 2017 (Part V, line 2a)	5	473
	6 Total number of volunteers (estimate if necessary)	6	4683
	7a Total unrelated business revenue from Part VIII, column (C), line 12	7a	0.
7b Net unrelated business taxable income from Form 990-T, line 34	7b	0.	
Revenue	8 Contributions and grants (Part VIII, line 1h)	Prior Year	Current Year
	9 Program service revenue (Part VIII, line 2g)	63,744,929.	56,996,170.
	10 Investment income (Part VIII, column (A), lines 3, 4, and 7d)	97,572.	210.
	11 Other revenue (Part VIII, column (A), lines 5, 8d, 8c, 9c, 10c, and 11e)	13,549.	33,965.
	12 Total revenue - add lines 8 through 11 (must equal Part VIII, column (A), line 12)	165,226.	548,614.
	13 Grants and similar amounts paid (Part IX, column (A), lines 1-3)	64,022,276.	57,578,959.
	14 Benefits paid to or for members (Part IX, column (A), line 4)	821,506.	304,331.
	15 Salaries, other compensation, employee benefits (Part IX, column (A), lines 5-10)	0.	0.
	16a Professional fundraising fees (Part IX, column (A), line 11e)	21,420,213.	21,224,391.
	16b Total fundraising expenses (Part IX, column (D), line 25)	213,617.	0.
Expenses	17 Other expenses (Part IX, column (A), lines 11a-11d, 11f-24e)	3,841,331.	
	18 Total expenses. Add lines 13-17 (must equal Part IX, column (A), line 25)	34,850,844.	30,159,783.
	19 Revenue less expenses. Subtract line 18 from line 12	58,305,180.	51,688,505.
	20 Total assets (Part X, line 16)	5,716,096.	5,890,454.
Net Assets or Fund Balances	21 Total liabilities (Part X, line 26)	Beginning of Current Year	End of Year
	22 Net assets or fund balances. Subtract line 21 from line 20	11,076,564.	15,506,343.
		4,153,624.	2,693,013.
Part II Signature Block			
Under penalties of perjury, I declare that I have examined this return, including accompanying schedules and statements, and to the best of my knowledge and belief, it is true, correct, and complete. Declaration of preparer (other than officer) is based on all information of which preparer has any knowledge.			
Sign Here	Signature of officer		Date 11/14/18
	Victor E. Bernson, Jr., Secretary, VP Type or print name and title		
Paid Preparer Use Only	Print/Type preparer's name	Preparer's signature	Date
	Ted R. Batson, Jr.	<i>Ted R. Batson</i>	11/14/2018
	Firm's name	Firm's EIN	Check <input type="checkbox"/> PTIN <input type="checkbox"/> self-employed
	Capin Crouse LLP	36-3990892	P00721951
	Firm's address	Phone no. 317-985-2620	
	972 Emerson Parkway, STE A Greenwood, IN 46143		
May the IRS discuss this return with the preparer shown above? (see instructions) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No			
732001 11-22-17 LHA For Paperwork Reduction Act Notice, see the separate instructions. Form 990 (2017)			

Part III Statement of Program Service AccomplishmentsCheck if Schedule O contains a response or note to any line in this Part III ☐

- 1** Briefly describe the organization's mission:
 Educate U.S. citizens about the impact of sound economic policy on the nation's economy and social structure, and mobilize citizens to be involved in fiscal matters.
- 2** Did the organization undertake any significant program services during the year which were not listed on the prior Form 990 or 990-EZ? ☐ Yes ☒ No
 If "Yes," describe these new services on Schedule O.
- 3** Did the organization cease conducting, or make significant changes in how it conducts, any program services? ☐ Yes ☒ No
 If "Yes," describe these changes on Schedule O.
- 4** Describe the organization's program service accomplishments for each of its three largest program services, as measured by expenses. Section 501(c)(3) and 501(c)(4) organizations are required to report the amount of grants and allocations to others, the total expenses, and revenue, if any, for each program service reported.
- 4a** (Code:) (Expenses \$ 24,828,730. including grants of \$ 0.) (Revenue \$ 548,824.)
 National office - Educate U.S. citizens about the impact of sound economic policy on the nation's economy and social structure and mobilize citizens to be involved in fiscal and regulatory economic matters at the national level.
- 4b** (Code:) (Expenses \$ 9,400,699. including grants of \$ 304,331.) (Revenue \$)
 State chapters - Educate U.S. citizens about the impact of sound economic policy on the nation's economy and social structure, and mobilize citizens to be involved in fiscal and regulatory economic matters at the state level.
- 4c** (Code:) (Expenses \$ including grants of \$) (Revenue \$)
- 4d** Other program services (Describe in Schedule O.)
 (Expenses \$ including grants of \$) (Revenue \$)
- 4e** Total program service expenses **▶** 34,229,429.

Part IV Checklist of Required Schedules

	Yes	No
1 Is the organization described in section 501(c)(3) or 4947(a)(1) (other than a private foundation)? If "Yes," complete Schedule A		X
2 Is the organization required to complete Schedule B, Schedule of Contributors?	X	
3 Did the organization engage in direct or indirect political campaign activities on behalf of or in opposition to candidates for public office? If "Yes," complete Schedule C, Part I	X	
4 Section 501(c)(3) organizations. Did the organization engage in lobbying activities, or have a section 501(h) election in effect during the tax year? If "Yes," complete Schedule C, Part II		
5 Is the organization a section 501(c)(4), 501(c)(5), or 501(c)(6) organization that receives membership dues, assessments, or similar amounts as defined in Revenue Procedure 98-19? If "Yes," complete Schedule C, Part III		X
6 Did the organization maintain any donor advised funds or any similar funds or accounts for which donors have the right to provide advice on the distribution or investment of amounts in such funds or accounts? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part I		X
7 Did the organization receive or hold a conservation easement, including easements to preserve open space, the environment, historic land areas, or historic structures? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part II		X
8 Did the organization maintain collections of works of art, historical treasures, or other similar assets? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part III		X
9 Did the organization report an amount in Part X, line 21, for escrow or custodial account liability, serve as a custodian for amounts not listed in Part X; or provide credit counseling, debt management, credit repair, or debt negotiation services? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part IV		X
10 Did the organization, directly or through a related organization, hold assets in temporarily restricted endowments, permanent endowments, or quasi-endowments? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part V		X
11 If the organization's answer to any of the following questions is "Yes," then complete Schedule D, Parts VI, VII, VIII, IX, or X as applicable.		
a Did the organization report an amount for land, buildings, and equipment in Part X, line 10? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part VI	X	
b Did the organization report an amount for investments - other securities in Part X, line 12 that is 5% or more of its total assets reported in Part X, line 16? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part VII		X
c Did the organization report an amount for investments - program related in Part X, line 13 that is 5% or more of its total assets reported in Part X, line 16? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part VIII		X
d Did the organization report an amount for other assets in Part X, line 15 that is 5% or more of its total assets reported in Part X, line 16? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part IX	X	
e Did the organization report an amount for other liabilities in Part X, line 25? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part X		X
f Did the organization's separate or consolidated financial statements for the tax year include a footnote that addresses the organization's liability for uncertain tax positions under FIN 48 (ASC 740)? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part X		X
12a Did the organization obtain separate, independent audited financial statements for the tax year? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Parts XI and XII	X	
b Was the organization included in consolidated, independent audited financial statements for the tax year? If "Yes," and if the organization answered "No" to line 12a, then completing Schedule D, Parts XI and XII is optional	X	
13 Is the organization a school described in section 170(b)(1)(A)(ii)? If "Yes," complete Schedule E		X
14a Did the organization maintain an office, employees, or agents outside of the United States?		X
b Did the organization have aggregate revenues or expenses of more than \$10,000 from grantmaking, fundraising, business, investment, and program service activities outside the United States, or aggregate foreign investments valued at \$100,000 or more? If "Yes," complete Schedule F, Parts I and IV		X
15 Did the organization report on Part IX, column (A), line 3, more than \$5,000 of grants or other assistance to or for any foreign organization? If "Yes," complete Schedule F, Parts II and IV		X
16 Did the organization report on Part IX, column (A), line 3, more than \$5,000 of aggregate grants or other assistance to or for foreign individuals? If "Yes," complete Schedule F, Parts III and IV		X
17 Did the organization report a total of more than \$15,000 of expenses for professional fundraising services on Part IX, column (A), lines 6 and 11e? If "Yes," complete Schedule G, Part I		X
18 Did the organization report more than \$15,000 total of fundraising event gross income and contributions on Part VIII, lines 1c and 8a? If "Yes," complete Schedule G, Part II		X
19 Did the organization report more than \$15,000 of gross income from gaming activities on Part VIII, line 9a? If "Yes," complete Schedule G, Part III		X

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	Yes	No
20a Did the organization operate one or more hospital facilities? If "Yes," complete Schedule H		X
b If "Yes" to line 20a, did the organization attach a copy of its audited financial statements to this return?		
21 Did the organization report more than \$5,000 of grants or other assistance to any domestic organization or domestic government on Part IX, column (A), line 1? If "Yes," complete Schedule I, Parts I and II	X	
22 Did the organization report more than \$5,000 of grants or other assistance to or for domestic individuals on Part IX, column (A), line 2? If "Yes," complete Schedule I, Parts I and III		X
23 Did the organization answer "Yes" to Part VII, Section A, line 3, 4, or 5 about compensation of the organization's current and former officers, directors, trustees, key employees, and highest compensated employees? If "Yes," complete Schedule J	X	
24a Did the organization have a tax-exempt bond issue with an outstanding principal amount of more than \$100,000 as of the last day of the year, that was issued after December 31, 2002? If "Yes," answer lines 24b through 24d and complete Schedule K. If "No," go to line 25a		X
b Did the organization invest any proceeds of tax-exempt bonds beyond a temporary period exception?		
c Did the organization maintain an escrow account other than a refunding escrow at any time during the year to defease any tax-exempt bonds?		
d Did the organization act as an "on behalf of" issuer for bonds outstanding at any time during the year?		
25a Section 501(c)(3), 501(c)(4), and 501(c)(29) organizations. Did the organization engage in an excess benefit transaction with a disqualified person during the year? If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part I		X
b Is the organization aware that it engaged in an excess benefit transaction with a disqualified person in a prior year, and that the transaction has not been reported on any of the organization's prior Forms 990 or 990-EZ? If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part I		X
26 Did the organization report any amount on Part X, line 5, 6, or 22 for receivables from or payables to any current or former officers, directors, trustees, key employees, highest compensated employees, or disqualified persons? If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part II		X
27 Did the organization provide a grant or other assistance to an officer, director, trustee, key employee, substantial contributor or employee thereof, a grant selection committee member, or to a 35% controlled entity or family member of any of these persons? If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part III		X
28 Was the organization a party to a business transaction with one of the following parties (see Schedule L, Part IV instructions for applicable filing thresholds, conditions, and exceptions):		
a A current or former officer, director, trustee, or key employee? If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part IV		X
b A family member of a current or former officer, director, trustee, or key employee? If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part IV		X
c An entity of which a current or former officer, director, trustee, or key employee (or a family member thereof) was an officer, director, trustee, or direct or indirect owner? If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part IV		X
29 Did the organization receive more than \$25,000 in non-cash contributions? If "Yes," complete Schedule M	X	
30 Did the organization receive contributions of art, historical treasures, or other similar assets, or qualified conservation contributions? If "Yes," complete Schedule M		X
31 Did the organization liquidate, terminate, or dissolve and cease operations? If "Yes," complete Schedule N, Part I		X
32 Did the organization sell, exchange, dispose of, or transfer more than 25% of its net assets? If "Yes," complete Schedule N, Part II		X
33 Did the organization own 100% of an entity disregarded as separate from the organization under Regulations sections 301.7701-2 and 301.7701-3? If "Yes," complete Schedule R, Part I	X	
34 Was the organization related to any tax-exempt or taxable entity? If "Yes," complete Schedule R, Part II, III, or IV, and Part V, line 1	X	
35a Did the organization have a controlled entity within the meaning of section 512(b)(13)?		X
b If "Yes" to line 35a, did the organization receive any payment from or engage in any transaction with a controlled entity within the meaning of section 512(b)(13)? If "Yes," complete Schedule R, Part V, line 2		
36 Section 501(c)(3) organizations. Did the organization make any transfers to an exempt non-charitable related organization? If "Yes," complete Schedule R, Part V, line 2		
37 Did the organization conduct more than 5% of its activities through an entity that is not a related organization and that is treated as a partnership for federal income tax purposes? If "Yes," complete Schedule R, Part VI		X
38 Did the organization complete Schedule O and provide explanations in Schedule O for Part VI, lines 11b and 19?	X	

Note. All Form 990 filers are required to complete Schedule O

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Part V Statements Regarding Other IRS Filings and Tax ComplianceCheck if Schedule O contains a response or note to any line in this Part V ☐

	1a	1b	2a	7d	10a	10b	11a	11b	12b	13b	13c	14a	14b	Yes	No
1a Enter the number reported in Box 3 of Form 1096. Enter -0- if not applicable	153														
b Enter the number of Forms W-2G included in line 1a. Enter -0- if not applicable		0													
c Did the organization comply with backup withholding rules for reportable payments to vendors and reportable gaming (gambling) winnings to prize winners?														X	
2a Enter the number of employees reported on Form W-3, Transmittal of Wage and Tax Statements, filed for the calendar year ending with or within the year covered by this return			473												
b If at least one is reported on line 2a, did the organization file all required federal employment tax returns? Note. If the sum of lines 1a and 2a is greater than 250, you may be required to e-file (see instructions)														X	
3a Did the organization have unrelated business gross income of \$1,000 or more during the year?															X
b If "Yes," has it filed a Form 990-T for this year? If "No," to line 3b, provide an explanation in Schedule O															
4a At any time during the calendar year, did the organization have an interest in, or a signature or other authority over, a financial account in a foreign country (such as a bank account, securities account, or other financial account)?															X
b If "Yes," enter the name of the foreign country: See instructions for filing requirements for FinCEN Form 114, Report of Foreign Bank and Financial Accounts (FBAR).															
5a Was the organization a party to a prohibited tax shelter transaction at any time during the tax year?															X
b Did any taxable party notify the organization that it was or is a party to a prohibited tax shelter transaction?															X
c If "Yes," to line 5a or 5b, did the organization file Form 8886-T?															
6a Does the organization have annual gross receipts that are normally greater than \$100,000, and did the organization solicit any contributions that were not tax deductible as charitable contributions?														X	
b If "Yes," did the organization include with every solicitation an express statement that such contributions or gifts were not tax deductible?														X	
7 Organizations that may receive deductible contributions under section 170(c).															
a Did the organization receive a payment in excess of \$75 made partly as a contribution and partly for goods and services provided to the payor?															
b If "Yes," did the organization notify the donor of the value of the goods or services provided?															
c Did the organization sell, exchange, or otherwise dispose of tangible personal property for which it was required to file Form 8282?															
d If "Yes," indicate the number of Forms 8282 filed during the year															
e Did the organization receive any funds, directly or indirectly, to pay premiums on a personal benefit contract?															
f Did the organization, during the year, pay premiums, directly or indirectly, on a personal benefit contract?															
g If the organization received a contribution of qualified intellectual property, did the organization file Form 8899 as required?															
h If the organization received a contribution of cars, boats, airplanes, or other vehicles, did the organization file a Form 1098-C?															
8 Sponsoring organizations maintaining donor advised funds. Did a donor advised fund maintained by the sponsoring organization have excess business holdings at any time during the year?															
9 Sponsoring organizations maintaining donor advised funds.															
a Did the sponsoring organization make any taxable distributions under section 4966?															
b Did the sponsoring organization make a distribution to a donor, donor advisor, or related person?															
10 Section 501(c)(7) organizations. Enter:															
a Initiation fees and capital contributions included on Part VIII, line 12															
b Gross receipts, included on Form 990, Part VIII, line 12, for public use of club facilities															
11 Section 501(c)(12) organizations. Enter:															
a Gross income from members or shareholders															
b Gross income from other sources (Do not net amounts due or paid to other sources against amounts due or received from them.)															
12a Section 4947(a)(1) non-exempt charitable trusts. Is the organization filing Form 990 in lieu of Form 1041?															
b If "Yes," enter the amount of tax-exempt interest received or accrued during the year															
13 Section 501(c)(29) qualified nonprofit health insurance issuers.															
a Is the organization licensed to issue qualified health plans in more than one state? Note. See the instructions for additional information the organization must report on Schedule O.															
b Enter the amount of reserves the organization is required to maintain by the states in which the organization is licensed to issue qualified health plans															
c Enter the amount of reserves on hand															
14a Did the organization receive any payments for indoor tanning services during the tax year?															X
b If "Yes," has it filed a Form 720 to report these payments? If "No," provide an explanation in Schedule O															

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Part VI Governance, Management, and Disclosure For each "Yes" response to lines 2 through 7b below, and for a "No" response to line 8a, 8b, or 10b below, describe the circumstances, processes, or changes in Schedule O. See instructions.

Check if Schedule O contains a response or note to any line in this Part VI ☒

Section A. Governing Body and Management

	Yes	No
1a Enter the number of voting members of the governing body at the end of the tax year If there are material differences in voting rights among members of the governing body, or if the governing body delegated broad authority to an executive committee or similar committee, explain in Schedule O.	5	
1b Enter the number of voting members included in line 1a, above, who are independent	5	
2 Did any officer, director, trustee, or key employee have a family relationship or a business relationship with any other officer, director, trustee, or key employee?		X
3 Did the organization delegate control over management duties customarily performed by or under the direct supervision of officers, directors, or trustees, or key employees to a management company or other person?		X
4 Did the organization make any significant changes to its governing documents since the prior Form 990 was filed?		X
5 Did the organization become aware during the year of a significant diversion of the organization's assets?		X
6 Did the organization have members or stockholders?		X
7a Did the organization have members, stockholders, or other persons who had the power to elect or appoint one or more members of the governing body?		X
7b Are any governance decisions of the organization reserved to (or subject to approval by) members, stockholders, or persons other than the governing body?		X
8 Did the organization contemporaneously document the meetings held or written actions undertaken during the year by the following:		
a The governing body?	X	
b Each committee with authority to act on behalf of the governing body?	X	
9 Is there any officer, director, trustee, or key employee listed in Part VII, Section A, who cannot be reached at the organization's mailing address? If "Yes," provide the names and addresses in Schedule O		X

Section B. Policies (This Section B requests information about policies not required by the Internal Revenue Code.)

	Yes	No
10a Did the organization have local chapters, branches, or affiliates?	X	
10b If "Yes," did the organization have written policies and procedures governing the activities of such chapters, affiliates, and branches to ensure their operations are consistent with the organization's exempt purposes?	X	
11a Has the organization provided a complete copy of this Form 990 to all members of its governing body before filing the form?		X
11b Describe in Schedule O the process, if any, used by the organization to review this Form 990.		
12a Did the organization have a written conflict of interest policy? If "No," go to line 13	X	
12b Were officers, directors, or trustees, and key employees required to disclose annually interests that could give rise to conflicts?	X	
12c Did the organization regularly and consistently monitor and enforce compliance with the policy? If "Yes," describe in Schedule O how this was done	X	
13 Did the organization have a written whistleblower policy?	X	
14 Did the organization have a written document retention and destruction policy?	X	
15 Did the process for determining compensation of the following persons include a review and approval by independent persons, comparability data, and contemporaneous substantiation of the deliberation and decision?		
a The organization's CEO, Executive Director, or top management official	X	
b Other officers or key employees of the organization	X	
If "Yes" to line 15a or 15b, describe the process in Schedule O (see instructions).		
16a Did the organization invest in, contribute assets to, or participate in a joint venture or similar arrangement with a taxable entity during the year?		X
16b If "Yes," did the organization follow a written policy or procedure requiring the organization to evaluate its participation in joint venture arrangements under applicable federal tax law, and take steps to safeguard the organization's exempt status with respect to such arrangements?		

Section C. Disclosure

17 List the states with which a copy of this Form 990 is required to be filed: AL, AK, AZ, AR, CA, CO, CT, DE, FL, GA, HI, ID

18 Section 6104 requires an organization to make its Forms 1023 (or 1024 if applicable), 990, and 990-T (Section 501(c)(3)s only) available for public inspection. Indicate how you made these available. Check all that apply.
☐ Own website ☐ Another's website ☒ Upon request ☐ Other (explain in Schedule O)

19 Describe in Schedule O whether (and if so, how) the organization made its governing documents, conflict of interest policy, and financial statements available to the public during the tax year.

20 State the name, address, and telephone number of the person who possesses the organization's books and records: Gary Castellaw - 703-224-3200
1310 N. Courthouse Rd, Ste 700, No. 700, Arlington, VA 22201

Part VII Compensation of Officers, Directors, Trustees, Key Employees, Highest Compensated Employees, and Independent Contractors

Check if Schedule O contains a response or note to any line in this Part VII

☒**Section A. Officers, Directors, Trustees, Key Employees, and Highest Compensated Employees****1a** Complete this table for all persons required to be listed. Report compensation for the calendar year ending with or within the organization's tax year.

- List all of the organization's **current** officers, directors, trustees (whether individuals or organizations), regardless of amount of compensation. Enter -0- in columns (D), (E), and (F) if no compensation was paid.
 - List all of the organization's **current** key employees, if any. See instructions for definition of "key employee."
 - List the organization's five **current** highest compensated employees (other than an officer, director, trustee, or key employee) who received reportable compensation (Box 5 of Form W-2 and/or Box 7 of Form 1099-MISC) of more than \$100,000 from the organization and any related organizations.
 - List all of the organization's **former** officers, key employees, and highest compensated employees who received more than \$100,000 of reportable compensation from the organization and any related organizations.
 - List all of the organization's **former** directors or trustees that received, in the capacity as a former director or trustee of the organization, more than \$10,000 of reportable compensation from the organization and any related organizations.
- List persons in the following order: individual trustees or directors; institutional trustees; officers; key employees; highest compensated employees; and former such persons.

☐ Check this box if neither the organization nor any related organization compensated any current officer, director, or trustee.

(A) Name and Title	(B) Average hours per week (list any hours for related organizations below line)	(C) Position (do not check more than one box, unless person is both an officer and a director/trustee)						(D) Reportable compensation from the organization (W-2/1099-MISC)	(E) Reportable compensation from related organizations (W-2/1099-MISC)	(F) Estimated amount of other compensation from the organization and related organizations
		Individual trustee or director	Institutional trustee	Officer	Key employee	Highest compensated employee	Former			
(1) Frayda Levin Chairman	2.00 0.00	X						0.	0.	0.
(2) Nancy Pfotenhauer Director	2.00 0.00	X						0.	0.	0.
(3) Jim Miller Director	2.00 0.00	X						0.	0.	0.
(4) James Stephenson Director	2.00 0.00	X						0.	0.	0.
(5) Mark Holden Director	4.00 0.00	X						0.	0.	0.
(6) Tim Phillips President	50.00 0.00			X				429,462.	0.	32,333.
(7) Timothy Carnahan Treasurer, CFO	25.00 25.00			X				87,466.	87,466.	15,416.
(8) Luke Hilgemann Chief Executive Officer (part year)	35.00 15.00			X				169,448.	72,620.	20,654.
(9) Victor Bernson Secretary, VP & General Counsel	35.00 15.00			X				167,211.	71,662.	15,080.
(10) Emily Seidel Chief Executive Officer	35.00 15.00			X				177,122.	75,910.	27,946.
(11) Teresa Oelke Senior VP of State Operations	35.00 15.00			X				123,638.	52,988.	30,860.
(12) Brent Gardner VP/Government Affairs	35.00 15.00				X			194,124.	83,196.	16,119.
(13) Daniel Garza Executive Director	35.00 15.00				X			192,096.	82,327.	16,017.
(14) Chase Downham Sr. VP of State Ops & Grassroots Str	35.00 15.00				X			190,959.	81,839.	25,062.
(15) Jorge Lima Senior VP of Policy	35.00 15.00				X			178,161.	76,355.	30,328.
(16) Slade O'Brien VP, Grassroots Leadership Academy	35.00 15.00				X			171,564.	73,527.	22,424.
(17) Sean Lansing Former COO (part year)	35.00 15.00						X	112,258.	48,110.	13,100.

Part VIII Statement of Revenue

Check if Schedule O contains a response or note to any line in this Part VIII

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			(A) Total revenue	(B) Related or exempt function revenue	(C) Unrelated business revenue	(D) Revenue excluded from tax under sections 512-514
Contributions, Gifts, Grants and Other Similar Amounts	1 a Federated campaigns	1a				
	b Membership dues	1b				
	c Fundraising events	1c				
	d Related organizations	1d				
	e Government grants (contributions)	1e				
	f All other contributions, gifts, grants, and similar amounts not included above	1f	56,996,170.			
	g Noncash contributions included in lines 1a-1f: \$		100,253.			
	h Total. Add lines 1a-1f		56,996,170.			
Program Service Revenue	2 a Registration Fees	Business Code	210.	210.		
	b					
	c					
	d					
	e					
	f All other program service revenue					
	g Total. Add lines 2a-2f		210.			
Other Revenue	3 Investment income (including dividends, interest, and other similar amounts)		33,965.			33,965.
	4 Income from investment of tax-exempt bond proceeds					
	5 Royalties					
	6 a Gross rents	(i) Real (ii) Personal				
	b Less: rental expenses					
	c Rental income or (loss)					
	d Net rental income or (loss)					
	7 a Gross amount from sales of assets other than inventory	(i) Securities (ii) Other				
	b Less: cost or other basis and sales expenses					
	c Gain or (loss)					
	d Net gain or (loss)		0.			
	8 a Gross income from fundraising events (not including \$ _____ of contributions reported on line 1c). See Part IV, line 18	a				
	b Less: direct expenses	b				
	c Net income or (loss) from fundraising events					
	9 a Gross income from gaming activities. See Part IV, line 19	a				
	b Less: direct expenses	b				
	c Net income or (loss) from gaming activities					
10 a Gross sales of inventory, less returns and allowances	a					
b Less: cost of goods sold	b					
c Net income or (loss) from sales of inventory						
Miscellaneous Revenue		Business Code				
11 a						
b						
c						
d All other revenue	900099	548,614.	548,614.			
e Total. Add lines 11a-11d		548,614.				
12 Total revenue. See instructions.		57,578,959.	548,824.	0.	33,965.	

Part IX Statement of Functional Expenses

Section 501(c)(3) and 501(c)(4) organizations must complete all columns. All other organizations must complete column (A).

Check if Schedule O contains a response or note to any line in this Part IX

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Do not include amounts reported on lines 6b, 7b, 8b, 9b, and 10b of Part VIII.	(A) Total expenses	(B) Program service expenses	(C) Management and general expenses	(D) Fundraising expenses
1 Grants and other assistance to domestic organizations and domestic governments. See Part IV, line 21	304,331.	304,331.		
2 Grants and other assistance to domestic individuals. See Part IV, line 22				
3 Grants and other assistance to foreign organizations, foreign governments, and foreign individuals. See Part IV, lines 15 and 16				
4 Benefits paid to or for members				
5 Compensation of current officers, directors, trustees, and key employees	1,262,465.	1,039,728.	145,867.	76,870.
6 Compensation not included above, to disqualified persons (as defined under section 4958(f)(1)) and persons described in section 4958(c)(3)(B)	121,687.	100,218.	14,060.	7,409.
7 Other salaries and wages	15,562,862.	12,453,611.	2,036,198.	1,073,053.
8 Pension plan accruals and contributions (Include section 401(k) and 403(b) employer contributions)	346,264.	285,173.	40,008.	21,083.
9 Other employee benefits	2,382,582.	1,962,222.	275,287.	145,073.
10 Payroll taxes	1,548,531.	1,275,323.	178,920.	94,288.
11 Fees for services (non-employees):				
a Management				
b Legal	316,503.	79,808.	236,695.	
c Accounting	24,750.		24,750.	
d Lobbying	627,626.	627,626.		
e Professional fundraising services. See Part IV, line 17				
f Investment management fees				
g Other. (If line 11g amount exceeds 10% of line 25, column (A) amount, list line 11g expenses on Sch O.)	9,308,038.	109,818.	8,387,028.	811,192.
12 Advertising and promotion	8,232,761.	7,750,344.	78,685.	403,732.
13 Office expenses	3,072,529.	1,788,084.	779,432.	505,013.
14 Information technology	146,212.	110,682.	18,539.	16,991.
15 Royalties				
16 Occupancy	3,150,112.	2,008,343.	1,139,465.	2,304.
17 Travel	3,853,411.	3,444,869.	180,582.	227,960.
18 Payments of travel or entertainment expenses for any federal, state, or local public officials				
19 Conferences, conventions, and meetings	1,055,675.	708,152.	26,819.	320,704.
20 Interest				
21 Payments to affiliates				
22 Depreciation, depletion, and amortization	166,551.	130,134.	27,855.	8,562.
23 Insurance				
24 Other expenses. Itemize expenses not covered above. (List miscellaneous expenses in line 24e. If line 24e amount exceeds 10% of line 25, column (A) amount, list line 24e expenses on Schedule O.)				
a List rental	124,114.	927.	60.	123,127.
b Membership	39,763.	26,215.	12,834.	714.
c Taxes, licenses, fees	12,149.	58.	10,366.	1,725.
d				
e All other expenses	29,589.	23,763.	4,295.	1,531.
25 Total functional expenses. Add lines 1 through 24e	51,688,505.	34,229,429.	13,617,745.	3,841,331.
26 Joint costs. Complete this line only if the organization reported in column (B) joint costs from a combined educational campaign and fundraising solicitation.				

Check here ☐ if following SOP 98-2 (ASC 958-720)

Part X Balance SheetCheck if Schedule O contains a response or note to any line in this Part X ☐

		(A) Beginning of year		(B) End of year
Assets	1 Cash - non-interest-bearing	4,548,188.	1	6,384,653.
	2 Savings and temporary cash investments	5,224,176.	2	6,333,098.
	3 Pledges and grants receivable, net		3	
	4 Accounts receivable, net	2,507.	4	23,900.
	5 Loans and other receivables from current and former officers, directors, trustees, key employees, and highest compensated employees. Complete Part II of Schedule L		5	
	6 Loans and other receivables from other disqualified persons (as defined under section 4958(f)(1)), persons described in section 4958(c)(3)(B), and contributing employers and sponsoring organizations of section 501(c)(9) voluntary employees' beneficiary organizations (see instr). Complete Part II of Sch L		6	
	7 Notes and loans receivable, net		7	
	8 Inventories for sale or use		8	
	9 Prepaid expenses and deferred charges	583,329.	9	352,896.
	10a Land, buildings, and equipment: cost or other basis. Complete Part VI of Schedule D	10a 846,442.		
	b Less: accumulated depreciation	10b 750,268.		
	11 Investments - publicly traded securities	262,725.	10c	96,174.
	12 Investments - other securities. See Part IV, line 11		11	
	13 Investments - program-related. See Part IV, line 11		12	
	14 Intangible assets		13	
	15 Other assets. See Part IV, line 11	455,639.	14	
16 Total assets. Add lines 1 through 15 (must equal line 34)	11,076,564.	15	2,315,622.	
Liabilities	17 Accounts payable and accrued expenses	1,887,241.	16	15,506,343.
	18 Grants payable		17	2,693,013.
	19 Deferred revenue		18	
	20 Tax-exempt bond liabilities		19	
	21 Escrow or custodial account liability. Complete Part IV of Schedule D		20	
	22 Loans and other payables to current and former officers, directors, trustees, key employees, highest compensated employees, and disqualified persons. Complete Part II of Schedule L		21	
	23 Secured mortgages and notes payable to unrelated third parties		22	
	24 Unsecured notes and loans payable to unrelated third parties		23	
	25 Other liabilities (including federal income tax, payables to related third parties, and other liabilities not included on lines 17-24). Complete Part X of Schedule D	2,266,383.	24	
	26 Total liabilities. Add lines 17 through 25	4,153,624.	25	0.
Net Assets or Fund Balances	Organizations that follow SFAS 117 (ASC 958), check here <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> and complete lines 27 through 29, and lines 33 and 34.			
	27 Unrestricted net assets	6,799,234.	26	2,693,013.
	28 Temporarily restricted net assets	123,706.	27	12,689,659.
	29 Permanently restricted net assets		28	123,671.
	Organizations that do not follow SFAS 117 (ASC 958), check here <input type="checkbox"/> and complete lines 30 through 34.			
	30 Capital stock or trust principal, or current funds		29	
	31 Paid-in or capital surplus, or land, building, or equipment fund		30	
	32 Retained earnings, endowment, accumulated income, or other funds		31	
	33 Total net assets or fund balances	6,922,940.	32	
34 Total liabilities and net assets/fund balances	11,076,564.	33	12,813,330.	
		34	15,506,343.	

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Part XI Reconciliation of Net AssetsCheck if Schedule O contains a response or note to any line in this Part XI ☐

1	Total revenue (must equal Part VIII, column (A), line 12)	1	57,578,959.
2	Total expenses (must equal Part IX, column (A), line 25)	2	51,688,505.
3	Revenue less expenses. Subtract line 2 from line 1	3	5,890,454.
4	Net assets or fund balances at beginning of year (must equal Part X, line 33, column (A))	4	6,922,940.
5	Net unrealized gains (losses) on investments	5	<64.>
6	Donated services and use of facilities	6	
7	Investment expenses	7	
8	Prior period adjustments	8	
9	Other changes in net assets or fund balances (explain in Schedule O)	9	0.
10	Net assets or fund balances at end of year. Combine lines 3 through 9 (must equal Part X, line 33, column (B))	10	12,813,330.

Part XII Financial Statements and ReportingCheck if Schedule O contains a response or note to any line in this Part XII ☒

	Yes	No
1 Accounting method used to prepare the Form 990: <input type="checkbox"/> Cash <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Accrual <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____ If the organization changed its method of accounting from a prior year or checked "Other," explain in Schedule O.		
2a Were the organization's financial statements compiled or reviewed by an independent accountant? If "Yes," check a box below to indicate whether the financial statements for the year were compiled or reviewed on a separate basis, consolidated basis, or both: <input type="checkbox"/> Separate basis <input type="checkbox"/> Consolidated basis <input type="checkbox"/> Both consolidated and separate basis		x
b Were the organization's financial statements audited by an independent accountant? If "Yes," check a box below to indicate whether the financial statements for the year were audited on a separate basis, consolidated basis, or both: <input type="checkbox"/> Separate basis <input type="checkbox"/> Consolidated basis <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Both consolidated and separate basis	x	
c If "Yes" to line 2a or 2b, does the organization have a committee that assumes responsibility for oversight of the audit, review, or compilation of its financial statements and selection of an independent accountant? If the organization changed either its oversight process or selection process during the tax year, explain in Schedule O.	x	
3a As a result of a federal award, was the organization required to undergo an audit or audits as set forth in the Single Audit Act and OMB Circular A-133?		x
b If "Yes," did the organization undergo the required audit or audits? If the organization did not undergo the required audit or audits, explain why in Schedule O and describe any steps taken to undergo such audits		

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SCHEDULE C
(Form 990 or 990-EZ)

Political Campaign and Lobbying Activities

OMB No. 1545-0047

2017

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Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

For Organizations Exempt From Income Tax Under section 501(c) and section 527

▶ **Complete if the organization is described below.** ▶ Attach to Form 990 or Form 990-EZ.

▶ Go to www.irs.gov/Form990 for instructions and the latest information.

If the organization answered "Yes," on Form 990, Part IV, line 3, or Form 990-EZ, Part V, line 46 (Political Campaign Activities), then

- Section 501(c)(3) organizations: Complete Parts I-A and B. Do not complete Part I-C.
- Section 501(c) (other than section 501(c)(3)) organizations: Complete Parts I-A and C below. Do not complete Part I-B.
- Section 527 organizations: Complete Part I-A only.

If the organization answered "Yes," on Form 990, Part IV, line 4, or Form 990-EZ, Part VI, line 47 (Lobbying Activities), then

- Section 501(c)(3) organizations that have filed Form 5768 (election under section 501(h)): Complete Part II-A. Do not complete Part II-B.
- Section 501(c)(3) organizations that have NOT filed Form 5768 (election under section 501(h)): Complete Part II-B. Do not complete Part II-A.

If the organization answered "Yes," on Form 990, Part IV, line 5 (Proxy Tax) (see separate instructions) or Form 990-EZ, Part V, line 35c (Proxy Tax) (see separate instructions), then

- Section 501(c)(4), (5), or (6) organizations: Complete Part III.

Name of organization

Americans for Prosperity

Employer identification number

75-3148958

Part I-A Complete if the organization is exempt under section 501(c) or is a section 527 organization.

1 Provide a description of the organization's direct and indirect political campaign activities in Part IV.

2 Political campaign activity expenditures ▶ \$ 2,891,960.

3 Volunteer hours for political campaign activities

Part I-B Complete if the organization is exempt under section 501(c)(3).

1 Enter the amount of any excise tax incurred by the organization under section 4955 ▶ \$

2 Enter the amount of any excise tax incurred by organization managers under section 4955 ▶ \$

3 If the organization incurred a section 4955 tax, did it file Form 4720 for this year? ☐ Yes ☐ No

4a Was a correction made? ☐ Yes ☐ No

b If "Yes," describe in Part IV.

Part I-C Complete if the organization is exempt under section 501(c), except section 501(c)(3).

1 Enter the amount directly expended by the filing organization for section 527 exempt function activities ▶ \$

2 Enter the amount of the filing organization's funds contributed to other organizations for section 527 exempt function activities ▶ \$

3 Total exempt function expenditures. Add lines 1 and 2. Enter here and on Form 1120-POL, line 17b ▶ \$

4 Did the filing organization file Form 1120-POL for this year? ☐ Yes ☐ No

5 Enter the names, addresses and employer identification number (EIN) of all section 527 political organizations to which the filing organization made payments. For each organization listed, enter the amount paid from the filing organization's funds. Also enter the amount of political contributions received that were promptly and directly delivered to a separate political organization, such as a separate segregated fund or a political action committee (PAC). If additional space is needed, provide information in Part IV.

(a) Name	(b) Address	(c) EIN	(d) Amount paid from filing organization's funds. If none, enter -0-	(e) Amount of political contributions received and promptly and directly delivered to a separate political organization. If none, enter -0-

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Schedule C (Form 990 or 990-EZ) 2017

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Part II-A Complete if the organization is exempt under section 501(c)(3) and filed Form 5768 (election under section 501(h)).

- A** Check ☐ if the filing organization belongs to an affiliated group (and list in Part IV each affiliated group member's name, address, EIN, expenses, and share of excess lobbying expenditures).
- B** Check ☐ if the filing organization checked box A and "limited control" provisions apply.

Limits on Lobbying Expenditures (The term "expenditures" means amounts paid or incurred.)		(a) Filing organization's totals	(b) Affiliated group totals												
1 a Total lobbying expenditures to influence public opinion (grass roots lobbying)															
b Total lobbying expenditures to influence a legislative body (direct lobbying)															
c Total lobbying expenditures (add lines 1a and 1b)															
d Other exempt purpose expenditures															
e Total exempt purpose expenditures (add lines 1c and 1d)															
f Lobbying nontaxable amount. Enter the amount from the following table in both columns.															
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If the amount on line 1e, column (a) or (b) is:	The lobbying nontaxable amount is:														
Not over \$500,000	20% of the amount on line 1e.														
Over \$500,000 but not over \$1,000,000	\$100,000 plus 15% of the excess over \$500,000.														
Over \$1,000,000 but not over \$1,500,000	\$175,000 plus 10% of the excess over \$1,000,000.														
Over \$1,500,000 but not over \$17,000,000	\$225,000 plus 5% of the excess over \$1,500,000.														
Over \$17,000,000	\$1,000,000.														
g Grassroots nontaxable amount (enter 25% of line 1f)															
h Subtract line 1g from line 1a. If zero or less, enter -0-															
i Subtract line 1f from line 1c. If zero or less, enter -0-															
j If there is an amount other than zero on either line 1h or line 1i, did the organization file Form 4720 reporting section 4911 tax for this year?		<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No												

4-Year Averaging Period Under section 501(h)
 (Some organizations that made a section 501(h) election do not have to complete all of the five columns below.
 See the separate instructions for lines 2a through 2f.)

Lobbying Expenditures During 4-Year Averaging Period					
Calendar year (or fiscal year beginning in)	(a) 2014	(b) 2015	(c) 2016	(d) 2017	(e) Total
2 a Lobbying nontaxable amount					
b Lobbying ceiling amount (150% of line 2a, column (e))					
c Total lobbying expenditures					
d Grassroots nontaxable amount					
e Grassroots ceiling amount (150% of line 2d, column (e))					
f Grassroots lobbying expenditures					

Schedule C (Form 990 or 990-EZ) 2017

Part II-B Complete if the organization is exempt under section 501(c)(3) and has NOT filed Form 5768 (election under section 501(h)).

For each "Yes," response on lines 1a through 1i below, provide in Part IV a detailed description of the lobbying activity.

	(a)		(b)
	Yes	No	Amount
1 During the year, did the filing organization attempt to influence foreign, national, state or local legislation, including any attempt to influence public opinion on a legislative matter or referendum, through the use of:			
a Volunteers?			
b Paid staff or management (include compensation in expenses reported on lines 1c through 1i)?			
c Media advertisements?			
d Mailings to members, legislators, or the public?			
e Publications, or published or broadcast statements?			
f Grants to other organizations for lobbying purposes?			
g Direct contact with legislators, their staffs, government officials, or a legislative body?			
h Rallies, demonstrations, seminars, conventions, speeches, lectures, or any similar means?			
i Other activities?			
j Total. Add lines 1c through 1i			
2a Did the activities in line 1 cause the organization to be not described in section 501(c)(3)?			
b If "Yes," enter the amount of any tax incurred under section 4912			
c If "Yes," enter the amount of any tax incurred by organization managers under section 4912			
d If the filing organization incurred a section 4912 tax, did it file Form 4720 for this year?			

Part III-A Complete if the organization is exempt under section 501(c)(4), section 501(c)(5), or section 501(c)(6).

	Yes	No
1 Were substantially all (90% or more) dues received nondeductible by members?	1	
2 Did the organization make only in-house lobbying expenditures of \$2,000 or less?	2	
3 Did the organization agree to carry over lobbying and political campaign activity expenditures from the prior year?	3	

Part III-B Complete if the organization is exempt under section 501(c)(4), section 501(c)(5), or section 501(c)(6) and if either (a) BOTH Part III-A, lines 1 and 2, are answered "No," OR (b) Part III-A, line 3, is answered "Yes."

1 Dues, assessments and similar amounts from members	1	
2 Section 162(e) nondeductible lobbying and political expenditures (do not include amounts of political expenses for which the section 527(f) tax was paid).		
a Current year	2a	
b Carryover from last year	2b	
c Total	2c	
3 Aggregate amount reported in section 6033(e)(1)(A) notices of nondeductible section 162(e) dues	3	
4 If notices were sent and the amount on line 2c exceeds the amount on line 3, what portion of the excess does the organization agree to carryover to the reasonable estimate of nondeductible lobbying and political expenditure next year?	4	
5 Taxable amount of lobbying and political expenditures (see instructions)	5	

Part IV Supplemental Information

Provide the descriptions required for Part I-A, line 1; Part I-B, line 4; Part I-C, line 5; Part II-A (affiliated group list); Part II-A, lines 1 and 2 (see instructions); and Part II-B, line 1. Also, complete this part for any additional information.

Part I-A, Line 1:

Internet and radio advertising, direct mail and personnel activities.

SCHEDULE D
(Form 990)Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service**Supplemental Financial Statements**▶ **Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11a, 11b, 11c, 11d, 11e, 11f, 12a, or 12b.**
▶ **Attach to Form 990.**▶ **Go to www.irs.gov/Form990 for instructions and the latest information.**

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Name of the organization

Americans for Prosperity

Employer identification number

75-3148958

Part I Organizations Maintaining Donor Advised Funds or Other Similar Funds or Accounts. Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 6.

	(a) Donor advised funds	(b) Funds and other accounts
1 Total number at end of year		
2 Aggregate value of contributions to (during year)		
3 Aggregate value of grants from (during year)		
4 Aggregate value at end of year		
5 Did the organization inform all donors and donor advisors in writing that the assets held in donor advised funds are the organization's property, subject to the organization's exclusive legal control?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No
6 Did the organization inform all grantees, donors, and donor advisors in writing that grant funds can be used only for charitable purposes and not for the benefit of the donor or donor advisor, or for any other purpose conferring impermissible private benefit?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No

Part II Conservation Easements. Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 7.

1 Purpose(s) of conservation easements held by the organization (check all that apply).

<input type="checkbox"/> Preservation of land for public use (e.g., recreation or education)	<input type="checkbox"/> Preservation of a historically important land area
<input type="checkbox"/> Protection of natural habitat	<input type="checkbox"/> Preservation of a certified historic structure
<input type="checkbox"/> Preservation of open space	

2 Complete lines 2a through 2d if the organization held a qualified conservation contribution in the form of a conservation easement on the last day of the tax year.

	Held at the End of the Tax Year
a Total number of conservation easements	2a
b Total acreage restricted by conservation easements	2b
c Number of conservation easements on a certified historic structure included in (a)	2c
d Number of conservation easements included in (c) acquired after 7/25/06, and not on a historic structure listed in the National Register	2d

3 Number of conservation easements modified, transferred, released, extinguished, or terminated by the organization during the tax year ▶

4 Number of states where property subject to conservation easement is located ▶

5 Does the organization have a written policy regarding the periodic monitoring, inspection, handling of violations, and enforcement of the conservation easements it holds?

☐ Yes ☐ No

6 Staff and volunteer hours devoted to monitoring, inspecting, handling of violations, and enforcing conservation easements during the year ▶

7 Amount of expenses incurred in monitoring, inspecting, handling of violations, and enforcing conservation easements during the year ▶ \$

8 Does each conservation easement reported on line 2(d) above satisfy the requirements of section 170(h)(4)(B)(i) and section 170(h)(4)(B)(ii)?

☐ Yes ☐ No

9 In Part XIII, describe how the organization reports conservation easements in its revenue and expense statement, and balance sheet, and include, if applicable, the text of the footnote to the organization's financial statements that describes the organization's accounting for conservation easements.

Part III Organizations Maintaining Collections of Art, Historical Treasures, or Other Similar Assets.

Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 8.

1a If the organization elected, as permitted under SFAS 116 (ASC 958), not to report in its revenue statement and balance sheet works of art, historical treasures, or other similar assets held for public exhibition, education, or research in furtherance of public service, provide, in Part XIII, the text of the footnote to its financial statements that describes these items.

b If the organization elected, as permitted under SFAS 116 (ASC 958), to report in its revenue statement and balance sheet works of art, historical treasures, or other similar assets held for public exhibition, education, or research in furtherance of public service, provide the following amounts relating to these items:

(i) Revenue included on Form 990, Part VIII, line 1

(ii) Assets included in Form 990, Part X

2 If the organization received or held works of art, historical treasures, or other similar assets for financial gain, provide the following amounts required to be reported under SFAS 116 (ASC 958) relating to these items:

a Revenue included on Form 990, Part VIII, line 1

b Assets included in Form 990, Part X

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Schedule D (Form 990) 2017

Part III Organizations Maintaining Collections of Art, Historical Treasures, or Other Similar Assets(continued)

3 Using the organization's acquisition, accession, and other records, check any of the following that are a significant use of its collection items (check all that apply):

- a ☐ Public exhibition
 b ☐ Scholarly research
 c ☐ Preservation for future generations

- d ☐ Loan or exchange programs
 e ☐ Other _____

4 Provide a description of the organization's collections and explain how they further the organization's exempt purpose in Part XIII.

5 During the year, did the organization solicit or receive donations of art, historical treasures, or other similar assets to be sold to raise funds rather than to be maintained as part of the organization's collection? ☐ Yes ☐ No

Part IV Escrow and Custodial Arrangements. Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 9, or reported an amount on Form 990, Part X, line 21.

1a Is the organization an agent, trustee, custodian or other intermediary for contributions or other assets not included on Form 990, Part X? ☐ Yes ☐ No

b If "Yes," explain the arrangement in Part XIII and complete the following table:

	Amount
c Beginning balance	1c
d Additions during the year	1d
e Distributions during the year	1e
f Ending balance	1f

2a Did the organization include an amount on Form 990, Part X, line 21, for escrow or custodial account liability? ☐ Yes ☐ No

b If "Yes," explain the arrangement in Part XIII. Check here if the explanation has been provided on Part XIII ☐

Part V Endowment Funds. Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 10.

	(a) Current year	(b) Prior year	(c) Two years back	(d) Three years back	(e) Four years back
1a Beginning of year balance					
b Contributions					
c Net investment earnings, gains, and losses					
d Grants or scholarships					
e Other expenditures for facilities and programs					
f Administrative expenses					
g End of year balance					

2 Provide the estimated percentage of the current year end balance (line 1g, column (a)) held as:

- a Board designated or quasi-endowment %
 b Permanent endowment %
 c Temporarily restricted endowment %

The percentages on lines 2a, 2b, and 2c should equal 100%.

3a Are there endowment funds not in the possession of the organization that are held and administered for the organization by:

- (i) unrelated organizations ☐ Yes ☐ No
 3a(i) ☐ ☐

(ii) related organizations ☐ Yes ☐ No
 3a(ii) ☐ ☐

b If "Yes" on line 3a(ii), are the related organizations listed as required on Schedule R? ☐ Yes ☐ No
 3b ☐ ☐

4 Describe in Part XIII the intended uses of the organization's endowment funds.

Part VI Land, Buildings, and Equipment.

Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 11a. See Form 990, Part X, line 10.

Description of property	(a) Cost or other basis (investment)	(b) Cost or other basis (other)	(c) Accumulated depreciation	(d) Book value
1a Land				
b Buildings				
c Leasehold improvements				
d Equipment		402,192.	347,523.	54,669.
e Other		444,250.	402,745.	41,505.
Total. Add lines 1a through 1e. (Column (d) must equal Form 990, Part X, column (B), line 10c.)				96,174.

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Part VII Investments - Other Securities.

Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 11b. See Form 990, Part X, line 12.

(a) Description of security or category (including name of security)	(b) Book value	(c) Method of valuation: Cost or end-of-year market value
(1) Financial derivatives		
(2) Closely-held equity interests		
(3) Other		
(A)		
(B)		
(C)		
(D)		
(E)		
(F)		
(G)		
(H)		
Total. (Col. (b) must equal Form 990, Part X, col. (B) line 12.) ▶		

Part VIII Investments - Program Related.

Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 11c. See Form 990, Part X, line 13.

(a) Description of investment	(b) Book value	(c) Method of valuation: Cost or end-of-year market value
(1)		
(2)		
(3)		
(4)		
(5)		
(6)		
(7)		
(8)		
(9)		
Total. (Col. (b) must equal Form 990, Part X, col. (B) line 13.) ▶		

Part IX Other Assets.

Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 11d. See Form 990, Part X, line 15.

(a) Description	(b) Book value
(1) Due from affiliate	2,315,622.
(2)	
(3)	
(4)	
(5)	
(6)	
(7)	
(8)	
(9)	
Total. (Column (b) must equal Form 990, Part X, col. (B) line 15.) ▶	2,315,622.

Part X Other Liabilities.

Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 11e or 11f. See Form 990, Part X, line 25.

1. (a) Description of liability	(b) Book value
(1) Federal income taxes	
(2)	
(3)	
(4)	
(5)	
(6)	
(7)	
(8)	
(9)	
Total. (Column (b) must equal Form 990, Part X, col. (B) line 25.) ▶	

2. Liability for uncertain tax positions. In Part XIII, provide the text of the footnote to the organization's financial statements that reports the organization's liability for uncertain tax positions under FIN 48 (ASC 740). Check here if the text of the footnote has been provided in Part XIII ☐

**SCHEDULE I
(Form 990)**

Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

**Grants and Other Assistance to Organizations,
Governments, and Individuals in the United States**
Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 21 or 22.
▶ Attach to Form 990.
▶ Go to www.irs.gov/form990 for the latest information.

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Part I General Information on Grants and Assistance

1 Does the organization maintain records to substantiate the amount of the grants or assistance, the grantees' eligibility for the grants or assistance, and the selection criteria used to award the grants or assistance? ☒ Yes ☐ No

2 Describe in Part IV the organization's procedures for monitoring the use of grant funds in the United States.

Part II Grants and Other Assistance to Domestic Organizations and Domestic Governments. Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 21, for any recipient that received more than \$5,000. Part II can be duplicated if additional space is needed.

1 (a) Name and address of organization or government	(b) EIN	(c) IRC section (if applicable)	(d) Amount of cash grant	(e) Amount of non-cash assistance	(f) Method of valuation (book, FMV, appraisal, other)	(g) Description of non-cash assistance	(h) Purpose of grant or assistance
Arizona Free Enterprise Club 2415 E Camelback Rd St 700 Phoenix, AZ 85016	20-2423383	501(c)(4)	110,000.	0.			Program Support
Center for Independent Employees PO Box 2421 Spartanburg, SC 29304	26-0005176	501(c)(3)	18,000.	0.			Program Support
Springs Taxpayers 5470 Vessey Road Colorado Springs, CO 80908	82-2968752		15,000.	0.			Program Support

2 Enter total number of section 501(c)(3) and government organizations listed in the line 1 table **1.**
3 Enter total number of other organizations listed in the line 1 table **2.**
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Part III
Grants and Other Assistance to Domestic Individuals. Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 22

Part III can be duplicated if additional space is needed.

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Part IV	Supplemental Information. Provide the information required in Part I, line 2; Part III, column (b); and any other additional information.
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Part I, Line 2:

Grant funds were paid pursuant to an agreement requiring the recipient to

expend the funds exclusively for 501(c)(4) purposes. The organization

reviews the recipient's Form 990, IRS tax-exemption letter, articles of

incorporation, by-laws, and validates the recipient's tax ID #.

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For certain Officers, Directors, Trustees, Key Employees, and Highest Compensated Employees

► **Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 23.**

▶ Attach to Form 990.

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Part I	Questions Regarding Compensation
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- 1a** Check the appropriate box(es) if the organization provided any of the following to or for a person listed on Form 990, Part VII, Section A, line 1a. Complete Part III to provide any relevant information regarding these items.

- | | |
|--|---|
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> First-class or charter travel | <input type="checkbox"/> Housing allowance or residence for personal use |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Travel for companions | <input type="checkbox"/> Payments for business use of personal residence |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Tax indemnification and gross-up payments | <input type="checkbox"/> Health or social club dues or initiation fees |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Discretionary spending account | <input type="checkbox"/> Personal services (such as, maid, chauffeur, chef) |

- b If any of the boxes on line 1a are checked, did the organization follow a written policy regarding payment or reimbursement or provision of all of the expenses described above? If "No," complete Part III to explain

- 2 Did the organization require substantiation prior to reimbursing or allowing expenses incurred by all directors, trustees, and officers, including the CEO/Executive Director, regarding the items checked on line 1a?

- 3 Indicate which, if any, of the following the filing organization used to establish the compensation of the organization's CEO/Executive Director. Check all that apply. Do not check any boxes for methods used by a related organization to establish compensation of the CEO/Executive Director, but explain in Part III.

- | | |
|---|---|
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Compensation committee | <input type="checkbox"/> Written employment contract |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Independent compensation consultant | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Compensation survey or study |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form 990 of other organizations | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Approval by the board or compensation committee |

- 4 During the year, did any person listed on Form 990, Part VII, Section A, line 1a, with respect to the filing organization or a related organization:

- a Receive a severance payment or change-of-control payment?
- b Participate in, or receive payment from, a supplemental nonqualified retirement plan?
- c Participate in, or receive payment from, an equity-based compensation arrangement?
- If "Yes" to any of lines 4a-c, list the persons and provide the applicable amounts for each item in Part III.

Only section 501(c)(3), 501(c)(4), and 501(c)(29) organizations must complete lines 5-9.

- 5 For persons listed on Form 990, Part VII, Section A, line 1a, did the organization pay or accrue any compensation contingent on the revenues of:

- a The organization?
- b Any related organization?
- If "Yes" on line 5a or 5b, describe in Part III.

- 6 For persons listed on Form 990, Part VII, Section A, line 1a, did the organization pay or accrue any compensation contingent on the net earnings of:

- a The organization?
- b Any related organization?
- If "Yes" on line 6a or 6b, describe in Part III.

- 7 For persons listed on Form 990, Part VII, Section A, line 1a, did the organization provide any nonfixed payments not described on lines 5 and 6? If "Yes," describe in Part III _____

- 8 Were any amounts reported on Form 990, Part VII, paid or accrued pursuant to a contract that was subject to the initial contract exception described in Regulations section 53.4958-4(a)(3)? If "Yes," describe in Part III

- 9 If "Yes" on line 8, did the organization also follow the rebuttable presumption procedure described in Regulations section 53.4958-6(c)?

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Schedule J (Form 990) 2017

Part II Officers, Directors, Trustees, Key Employees, and Highest Compensated Employees. Use duplicate copies if additional space is needed.

For each individual whose compensation must be reported on Schedule J, report compensation from the organization on row (i) and from related organizations, described in the instructions, on row (ii). Do not list any individuals that aren't listed on Form 990, Part VII.

Note: The sum of columns (B)(i)-(iii) for each listed individual must equal the total amount of Form 990, Part VII, Section A, line 1a, applicable column (D) and (E) amounts for that individual.

(A) Name and Title	(B) Breakdown of W-2 and/or 1099-MISC compensation			(C) Retirement and other deferred compensation	(D) Nontaxable benefits	(E) Total of columns (B)(i)-(D)	(F) Compensation in column (B) reported as deferred on prior Form 990
	(i) Base compensation	(ii) Bonus & incentive compensation	(iii) Other reportable compensation				
(1) Tim Phillips President	(i) 269,462. (ii) 0. (iii) 0.	(i) 160,000. (ii) 0. (iii) 0.	(i) 0. (ii) 0. (iii) 0.	(i) 10,781. (ii) 0. (iii) 0.	(i) 22,008. (ii) 0. (iii) 0.	(i) 462,251. (ii) 0. (iii) 0.	(i) 0. (ii) 0. (iii) 0.
(2) Timothy Carnahan Treasurer, CFO	(i) 87,466. (ii) 87,466. (iii) 0.	(i) 0. (ii) 0. (iii) 0.	(i) 0. (ii) 0. (iii) 0.	(i) 0. (ii) 0. (iii) 0.	(i) 7,927. (ii) 7,927. (iii) 0.	(i) 95,393. (ii) 95,393. (iii) 0.	(i) 0. (ii) 0. (iii) 0.
(3) Luke Hilgemann Chief Executive Officer (part year)	(i) 169,448. (ii) 72,620. (iii) 146,211.	(i) 0. (ii) 0. (iii) 0.	(i) 0. (ii) 0. (iii) 0.	(i) 0. (ii) 0. (iii) 0.	(i) 0. (ii) 0. (iii) 0.	(i) 6,316. (ii) 4,930. (iii) 4,930.	(i) 0. (ii) 0. (iii) 0.
(4) Victor Bernson Secretary, VP & General Counsel	(i) 62,662. (ii) 177,122. (iii) 75,910.	(i) 9,000. (ii) 0. (iii) 0.	(i) 0. (ii) 0. (iii) 0.	(i) 2,548. (ii) 0. (iii) 0.	(i) 0. (ii) 0. (iii) 0.	(i) 2,113. (ii) 19,881. (iii) 8,521.	(i) 0. (ii) 0. (iii) 0.
(5) Emily Seidel Chief Executive Officer	(i) 123,638. (ii) 52,988. (iii) 138,124.	(i) 0. (ii) 0. (iii) 0.	(i) 0. (ii) 0. (iii) 0.	(i) 5,115. (ii) 2,192. (iii) 5,600.	(i) 0. (ii) 0. (iii) 0.	(i) 16,794. (ii) 7,197. (iii) 6,002.	(i) 145,547. (ii) 62,377. (iii) 205,726.
(6) Teresa Oelke Senior VP of State Operations	(i) 59,196. (ii) 139,596. (iii) 59,827.	(i) 24,000. (ii) 52,500. (iii) 70,000.	(i) 0. (ii) 0. (iii) 0.	(i) 2,400. (ii) 0. (iii) 0.	(i) 2,572. (ii) 11,695. (iii) 4,778.	(i) 2,572. (ii) 203,791. (iii) 87,105.	(i) 0. (ii) 0. (iii) 0.
(7) Brent Gardner VP/Government Affairs	(i) 120,959. (ii) 51,839. (iii) 108,161.	(i) 70,000. (ii) 30,000. (iii) 70,000.	(i) 0. (ii) 0. (iii) 0.	(i) 4,298. (ii) 1,842. (iii) 4,561.	(i) 0. (ii) 0. (iii) 0.	(i) 13,548. (ii) 5,806. (iii) 16,971.	(i) 208,805. (ii) 89,487. (iii) 199,693.
(8) Chase Downham Sr. VP of State Ops & Grassroots Str	(i) 46,355. (ii) 115,564. (iii) 49,527.	(i) 30,000. (ii) 56,000. (iii) 24,000.	(i) 0. (ii) 0. (iii) 0.	(i) 1,955. (ii) 3,112. (iii) 1,334.	(i) 7,273. (ii) 12,869. (iii) 5,515.	(i) 7,273. (ii) 187,545. (iii) 80,376.	(i) 0. (ii) 0. (iii) 0.
(9) Sean Lansing Former COO (part year)	(i) 112,258. (ii) 48,110. (iii) 0.	(i) 0. (ii) 0. (iii) 0.	(i) 0. (ii) 0. (iii) 0.	(i) 4,529. (ii) 1,941. (iii) 0.	(i) 4,900. (ii) 2,100. (iii) 0.	(i) 121,687. (ii) 52,151. (iii) 0.	(i) 0. (ii) 0. (iii) 0.
	(i) 0. (ii) 0. (iii) 0.	(i) 0. (ii) 0. (iii) 0.	(i) 0. (ii) 0. (iii) 0.	(i) 0. (ii) 0. (iii) 0.	(i) 0. (ii) 0. (iii) 0.	(i) 0. (ii) 0. (iii) 0.	(i) 0. (ii) 0. (iii) 0.
	(i) 0. (ii) 0. (iii) 0.	(i) 0. (ii) 0. (iii) 0.	(i) 0. (ii) 0. (iii) 0.	(i) 0. (ii) 0. (iii) 0.	(i) 0. (ii) 0. (iii) 0.	(i) 0. (ii) 0. (iii) 0.	(i) 0. (ii) 0. (iii) 0.
	(i) 0. (ii) 0. (iii) 0.	(i) 0. (ii) 0. (iii) 0.	(i) 0. (ii) 0. (iii) 0.	(i) 0. (ii) 0. (iii) 0.	(i) 0. (ii) 0. (iii) 0.	(i) 0. (ii) 0. (iii) 0.	(i) 0. (ii) 0. (iii) 0.

Part III Supplemental Information

Provide the information, explanation, or descriptions required for Part I, lines 1a, 1b, 3, 4a, 4b, 4c, 5a, 5b, 6a, 6b, 7, and 8, and for Part II. Also complete this part for any additional information.

Part I, line 1a:

First class travel may be provided if there are last minute flight changes

or there is no other available travel alternative. All travel is for a bona

fide business purpose.

Part I, line 7:

The Organization pays out discretionary bonuses.

SCHEDULE M
(Form 990)

Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

Noncash Contributions

- ▶ Complete if the organizations answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, lines 29 or 30.
- ▶ Attach to Form 990.
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Part I Types of Property

	(a) Check if applicable	(b) Number of contributions or items contributed	(c) Noncash contribution amounts reported on Form 990, Part VIII, line 1g	(d) Method of determining noncash contribution amounts
1 Art - Works of art				
2 Art - Historical treasures				
3 Art - Fractional interests				
4 Books and publications				
5 Clothing and household goods				
6 Cars and other vehicles				
7 Boats and planes				
8 Intellectual property				
9 Securities - Publicly traded	X	1	100,253	Fair market value
10 Securities - Closely held stock				
11 Securities - Partnership, LLC, or trust interests				
12 Securities - Miscellaneous				
13 Qualified conservation contribution - Historic structures				
14 Qualified conservation contribution - Other				
15 Real estate - Residential				
16 Real estate - Commercial				
17 Real estate - Other				
18 Collectibles				
19 Food inventory				
20 Drugs and medical supplies				
21 Taxidermy				
22 Historical artifacts				
23 Scientific specimens				
24 Archeological artifacts				
25 Other ▶ ()				
26 Other ▶ ()				
27 Other ▶ ()				
28 Other ▶ ()				

29 Number of Forms 8283 received by the organization during the tax year for contributions
for which the organization completed Form 8283, Part IV, Donee Acknowledgement

29

30a During the year, did the organization receive by contribution any property reported in Part I, lines 1 through 28, that it
must hold for at least three years from the date of the initial contribution, and which isn't required to be used for
exempt purposes for the entire holding period?

	Yes	No
30a		X

b If "Yes," describe the arrangement in Part II.

31 Does the organization have a gift acceptance policy that requires the review of any nonstandard contributions?

31	X	
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32a Does the organization hire or use third parties or related organizations to solicit, process, or sell noncash
contributions?

32a		X
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b If "Yes," describe in Part II.

33 If the organization didn't report an amount in column (c) for a type of property for which column (a) is checked,
describe in Part II.

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Schedule M (Form 990) 2017

Part II **Supplemental Information.** Provide the information required by Part I, lines 30b, 32b, and 33, and whether the organization is reporting in Part I, column (b), the number of contributions, the number of items received, or a combination of both. Also complete this part for any additional information.

Schedule M, Part I, Column (b):

The number of contributions reported is the number of contributions

made, not the number of items donated.

SCHEDULE O
(Form 990 or 990-EZ)

Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

Supplemental Information to Form 990 or 990-EZ

Complete to provide information for responses to specific questions on
Form 990 or 990-EZ or to provide any additional information.
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Form 990, Part VI, Section A, line 1:

Several Members of the Board of Directors are on the Executive Committee of

the AFP Board of Directors. Under the AFP bylaws and Board resolution, the

Executive Committee may exercise the powers of the Board when the Board is

not in session, but must report its actions to the Board at the next Board

meeting. The Executive Committee may not: (1) amend, alter, or repeal the

organization's bylaws or articles of incorporation; (2) elect, appoint, or

remove any officer or director; or (3) authorize the disposition of any of

the organization's property and assets.

Form 990, Part VI, Section B, line 11b:

The Form 990 is prepared by an independent CPA firm. The VP of Finance,

Treasurer, and General Counsel review in detail. The 990 is then

distributed to the audit committee, acting on behalf of the board for

review and questions prior to filing with the IRS.

Form 990, Part VI, Section B, Line 12c:

The Organization has in place a conflict of interest policy covering all

staff, directors and officers that it monitors through the quarterly

meetings of the Board of Directors' Audit Committee and an annual employee

survey. Should a conflict be disclosed, it is addressed by company

management or the board, as appropriate.

Form 990, Part VI, Section B, Line 15:

The CEO reviews compensation for officers and other key employees and it is

approved by the chair of the executive committee of the board. This process

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Schedule O (Form 990 or 990-EZ) (2017)

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is documented in the employee's personnel file. This process was last completed during the tax year for all officers.

Form 990, Part VI, Line 17, List of States receiving copy of Form 990:

AL, AK, AZ, AR, CA, CO, CT, DE, FL, GA, HI, ID, IL, IN, IA, KS, KY, LA, ME, MD, MA, MI, MN, MS, MO

MT, NE, NV, NH, NJ, NM, NY, NC, ND, OH, OK, OR, PA, RI, SC, SD, TN, TX, UT, VT, VA, WA, WV, WI, WY,

DC

Form 990, Part VI, Section C, Line 19:

The organization makes available to the public documents required by law to be made publicly available in accordance with IRS procedures.

Form 990, Part V, Line 2a, Part VII, Part IX, Lines 5 - 10 and Schedule J

Americans for Prosperity (AFP) shares employees with Americans for Prosperity Foundation (AFFF), a related organization. Certain employees are deemed to be employed by AFP and certain employees are deemed to be employed by AFFF. The deemed employer issues a W-2 to each employee it is deemed to employ. However, to reflect the sharing of employees, compensation has been shown in proportion to the hours worked for each organization. Accordingly, for each employee the amounts shown in Part VII, Column D and E and Schedule J, Part II, Section A, lines (i) and (ii) must be added together to agree to box 5 on the employee's Form W-2.

Form 990, Part VIII, Line 7a/7b

The organization has a policy whereby all contributed securities are immediately sold through the broker that receives those contributions

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on the organization's behalf.

Form 990, Part IX, Line 11g, Other Fees:

Outside Services:

Program service expenses	79,383.
Management and general expenses	8,387,028.
Fundraising expenses	811,192.
Total expenses	9,277,603.

Honoraria:

Program service expenses	30,435.
Management and general expenses	0.
Fundraising expenses	0.
Total expenses	30,435.

Total Other Fees on Form 990, Part IX, line 11g, Col A 9,308,038.

Form 990, Part XII, Line 2c

The organization's Audit Committee assumes responsibility for oversight of the audit of its financial statements and selection of its independent accountant. This process has not changed since the prior year.

Related Organizations and Unrelated Partnerships

► **Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 33, 34, 35b, 36, or 37.**
 ► **Attach to Form 990.**

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Part I Identification of Disregarded Entities. Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 33.

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Part II
Identification of Related Tax-Exempt Organizations. Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 34, because it had one or more related tax-exempt organizations during the tax year.

[illegible]

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Schedule R (Form 990) 2017

Part III Identification of Related Organizations Taxable as a Partnership. Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 34, because it had one or more related organizations treated as a partnership during the tax year.

[illegible]

Part IV Identification of Related Organizations Taxable as a Corporation or Trust. Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 34, because it had one or more related organizations treated as a corporation or trust during the tax year.

[illegible]

Part V Transactions With Related Organizations. Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 34, 35b, or 36.**Note:** Complete line 1 if any entity is listed in Parts II, III, or IV of this schedule.**1** During the tax year, did the organization engage in any of the following transactions with one or more related organizations listed in Parts II-IV?

	Yes	No
a Receipt of (i) interest, (ii) annuities, (iii) royalties, or (iv) rent from a controlled entity	1a	1a
b Gift, grant, or capital contribution to related organization(s)	1b	1b
c Gift, grant, or capital contribution from related organization(s)	1c	1c
d Loans or loan guarantees to or for related organization(s)	1d	1d
e Loans or loan guarantees by related organization(s)	1e	1e
f Dividends from related organization(s)	1f	1f
g Sale of assets to related organization(s)	1g	1g
h Purchase of assets from related organization(s)	1h	1h
i Exchange of assets with related organization(s)	1i	1i
j Lease of facilities, equipment, or other assets to related organization(s)	1j	1j
k Lease of facilities, equipment, or other assets from related organization(s)	1k	1k
l Performance of services or membership or fundraising solicitations for related organization(s)	1l	1l
m Performance of services or membership or fundraising solicitations by related organization(s)	1m	1m
n Sharing of facilities, equipment, mailing lists, or other assets with related organization(s)	1n	1n
o Sharing of paid employees with related organization(s)	1o	1o
p Reimbursement paid to related organization(s) for expenses	1p	1p
q Reimbursement paid by related organization(s) for expenses	1q	1q
r Other transfer of cash or property to related organization(s)	1r	1r
s Other transfer of cash or property from related organization(s)	1s	1s

2 If the answer to any of the above is "Yes," see the instructions for information on who must complete this line, including covered relationships and transaction thresholds.

(a) Name of related organization	(b) Transaction type (a-s)	(c) Amount involved	(d) Method of determining amount involved
(1) Americans for Prosperity Foundation	N	0.	
(2) Americans for Prosperity Foundation	O	0.	
(3) Americans for Prosperity Foundation	Q	0.	
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Part VII Supplemental Information.

Provide additional information for responses to questions on Schedule R. See instructions.

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Application for Automatic Extension of Time To File an Exempt Organization Return

► **File a separate application for each return.**
► **Information about Form 8868 and its instructions is at www.irs.gov/form8868.**

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Electronic filing (e-file). You can electronically file Form 8868 to request a 6-month automatic extension of time to file any of the forms listed below with the exception of Form 8870, Information Return for Transfers Associated With Certain Personal Benefit Contracts, for which an extension request must be sent to the IRS in paper format (see instructions). For more details on the electronic filing of this form, visit www.irs.gov/efile, click on Charities & Non-Profits, and click on e-file for Charities and Non-Profits.

Automatic 6-Month Extension of Time. Only submit original (no copies needed).

All corporations required to file an income tax return other than Form 990-T (including 1120-C filers), partnerships, REMICs, and trusts must use Form 7004 to request an extension of time to file income tax returns.

Type or print	Name of exempt organization or other filer, see instructions.	Enter filer's identifying number	
		Employer identification number (EIN) or	
File by the due date for filing your return. See instructions.	Americans for Prosperity	75-3148958	
	Number, street, and room or suite no. If a P.O. box, see instructions. 1310 N. Courthouse Rd, Ste 700, No. 700	Social security number (SSN)	
	City, town or post office, state, and ZIP code. For a foreign address, see instructions. Arlington, VA 22201		

Enter the Return Code for the return that this application is for (file a separate application for each return)				0	1
Application Is For	Return Code	Application Is For	Return Code		
Form 990 or Form 990-EZ	01	Form 990-T (corporation)	07		
Form 990-BL	02	Form 1041-A	08		
Form 4720 (individual)	03	Form 4720 (other than individual)	09		
Form 990-PF	04	Form 5227	10		
Form 990-T (sec. 401(a) or 408(a) trust)	05	Form 6069	11		
Form 990-T (trust other than above)	06	Form 8870	12		

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- The books are in the care of ► 1310 N. Courthouse Rd, Ste 700, No. 700 - Arlington, VA 22201
Telephone No. ► 703-224-3200 Fax No. ►
- If the organization does not have an office or place of business in the United States, check this box ☐
- If this is for a Group Return, enter the organization's four digit Group Exemption Number (GEN) . If this is for the whole group, check this box ☐. If it is for part of the group, check this box ☐ and attach a list with the names and EINs of all members the extension is for.

1 I request an automatic 6-month extension of time until November 15, 2018, to file the exempt organization return for the organization named above. The extension is for the organization's return for:

- ☒ calendar year 2017 or
► ☐ tax year beginning , and ending

2 If the tax year entered in line 1 is for less than 12 months, check reason: ☐ Initial return ☐ Final return
☐ Change in accounting period

3a If this application is for Forms 990-BL, 990-PF, 990-T, 4720, or 6069, enter the tentative tax, less any nonrefundable credits. See instructions.	3a	\$	0.
b If this application is for Forms 990-PF, 990-T, 4720, or 6069, enter any refundable credits and estimated tax payments made. Include any prior year overpayment allowed as a credit.	3b	\$	0.
c Balance due. Subtract line 3b from line 3a. Include your payment with this form, if required, by using EFTPS (Electronic Federal Tax Payment System). See instructions.	3c	\$	0.

Caution: If you are going to make an electronic funds withdrawal (direct debit) with this Form 8868, see Form 8453-EO and Form 8879-EO for payment instructions.

LHA For Privacy Act and Paperwork Reduction Act Notice, see instructions.

Form **8868** (Rev. 1-2017)

COPY OF FORM 990

(TO BE USED, OR COPIED, FOR)

****PUBLIC INSPECTION ONLY****

NOTE

Under Internal Revenue Regulations, tax-exempt charitable organizations generally must provide requesters with COPIES of:

- Its approved exemption applications, all required attachments and any related correspondence with the IRS, and
- Its three most recent annual information returns (Form 990), including all schedules and attachments (but not the names and addresses of contributors).

In-person requests: *A member of the public may request to inspect the documents at any principal office of the organization. The entity must provide the information requested that same day. However, if the request places an "unreasonable burden" on the organization, the staff must provide copies of the requested information no later than the next business day after the unusual circumstances cease to exist (limited to a maximum of five business days after the request).*

Written requests: *Written requests made by fax, mail, email, or overnight service, which include the requester's address, must be honored within 30 days of receipt.*

Website alternative: *Instead of providing copies, an organization may make the documents available on either its own or another organization's website. If it uses this option, it has to: (1) provide an exact replica of the document as was filed with the IRS; (2) advise requesters how to access the forms on the web; (3) the site should charge no access fee and require no special software or hardware to download. Organizations that post this information on the Internet still must honor in-person requests to view the applicable documents.*

Permissible charges: *Tax-exempt organizations may charge a reasonable copying fee, up to \$1 for the first page and 15 cents for each additional page, plus actual postage costs.*

Penalties: *An organization that fails to comply with the new disclosure requirements may be subject to the following penalties:*

- *Annual Information Return – Form 990 – \$20 per day for as long as the failure continues, up to a maximum of \$10,000 for each failure to provide an annual return.*
- *Exemption Application – \$20 per day with no maximum.*
- *An organization that willfully fails to comply with these public inspection rules can be subject to an additional \$5,000 penalty.*

Private foundation exempt: *The new disclosure rules don't yet apply to private foundations. They must still make a copy of their annual return available for public inspection at their principal office for a period of 180 days after publishing a notice of availability.*

Donor Information: *Please note that donor information is not open to public inspection and has been excluded from this copy.*